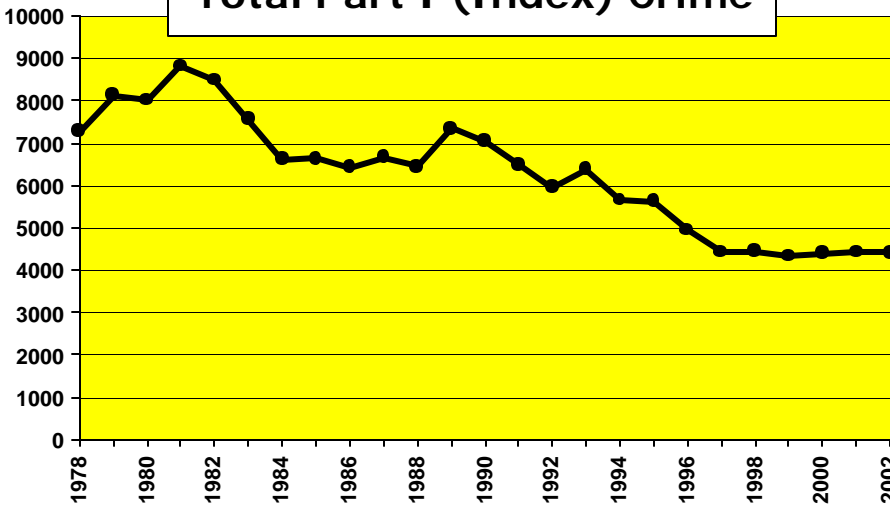


# 25-YEAR STATISTICAL TRENDS

## Total Part I (Index) Crime



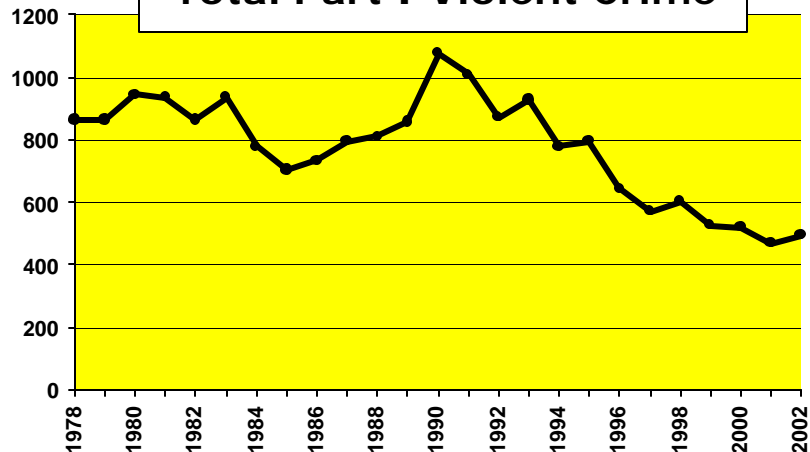
## Total Crime

The total crime index is almost half of what it was 25 years ago, decreasing 39% from 1978 and 26% from 1992. Numbers have been on a steady decline since the late 1970s, with the exception of two spikes at the turn of each decade. These spikes were caused by a sharp increase in property crimes in 1980 and a sharp increase in violent crimes in 1990. The less than 1% decrease reported this year continues the unwavering totals of the last five years.

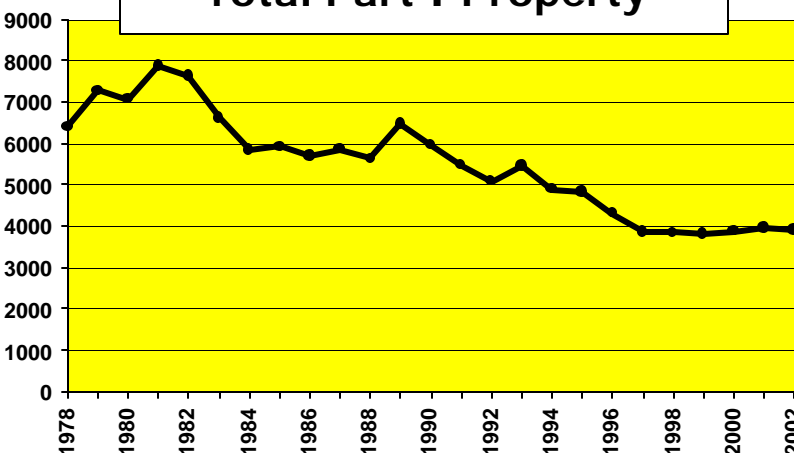
## Violent Crime

Violent crime totals include totals for the crimes of murder, rape, robbery, and assault. Totals were fairly unsteady in the 1980s. The late years of the decade were marked by a great increase in incidents — reflective of the nation's epidemic of gang and drug violence combined with greater reporting of domestic assaults. Since 1990, violent crime totals have been steadily declining, but have been marked by small spikes every other year. This year's total follows this pattern.

## Total Part I Violent Crime



## Total Part I Property



## Property Crime

Property crime totals include totals for the crimes of burglary, larceny, and auto theft. Property crime usually accounts for 80%-90% of the Part I total, which explains why the graph to the left mirrors the graph at the top so closely. Totals have fallen 39% since 1978 and 23% since 1992. Burglary and auto theft have produced enormous decreases over the past two decades, but larceny (common theft) has remained fairly steady. The 1% decrease reported this year is consistent with the leveling-off of totals over the last five years.